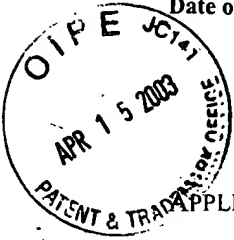


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APPLICANT: Boone
SERIAL NUMBER: 09/930,593 EXAMINER: Daniel M. Sullivan
FILING DATE: August 15, 2001 ART UNIT: 1636
FOR: YEAST ARRAYS, METHODS OF MAKING SUCH ARRAYS, AND METHODS
OF ANALYZING SUCH ARRAYS

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 16, 2002

In response to the Office Action Dated December 16, 2002, Applicants make the following election:

Applicant elects the invention of Group I, which includes claims 1-10, drawn to a high-density output array of multiple yeast strains, without traverse.

This response should be timely filed on April 16, 2003 with a three month extension of time and appropriate fee. A petition for an extension of time accompanies this response. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to the undersigned's account, Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No. 23572-501.

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